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SUBJECT: EXIM'S VISIT TO ASEAN NATIONS

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1. EMBASSY IS PLEASED TO LEARN THAT EXIMBANK CHAIRMAN JOHN MOORE WILL BE VISITING MALAYSIA NOVEMBER 8-9, BUT IS DISAPPOINTED THAT THE VISIT AS CURRENTLY PLANNED IS SO BRIEF. WE URGE CHAIRMAN MOORE TO CONSIDER EXTENDING HIS STAY FOR AT LEAST A SECOND DAY. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE GOM WILL SEE A ONE-DAY VISIT AS INCONSISTENT WITH THE POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE CREATED BY THE RECENT ASEAN-US MEETING IN WASHINGTON.

2. WE HAVE BEEN GIVING CAREFUL THOUGHT TO MR. MOORE'S VISIT AND BELIEVE THAT HE SHOULD SEE THE FOLLOWING GOM OFFICIALS: THE PRIME MINISTER, DATUK HUSSEIN ONNN; THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, TENGKU RAZALEIGH HAMZAH; THE GOVERNOR OF THE BANK NEGARA (CENTRAL BANK), TAN SRI ISMAIL BIN MOHAMED ALI; AND THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF

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THE ECONOMIC PLANNING UNIT IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT, TAN SRI THONG YAW HONG. GIVEN THE HIGH LEVEL OF INTEREST THE CHAIRMAN'S VISIT IS GENERATING IN THE AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY, WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT MR. MOORE ATTEND A BREAKFAST MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN BUSINESS COUNCIL OF MALAYSIA (THE EQUIVALENT OF AN AMERICAN CHAMBER). ALSO, THE

AMBASSADOR WOULD LIKE TO HOST A DINNER FOR MR. MOORE
ON NOVEMBER 8 TO WHICH SENIOR GOM OFFICIALS WOULD BE
INVITED. THIS ASSUMES THAT MR. MOORE WILL ARRIVE
DURING THE AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 8.
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